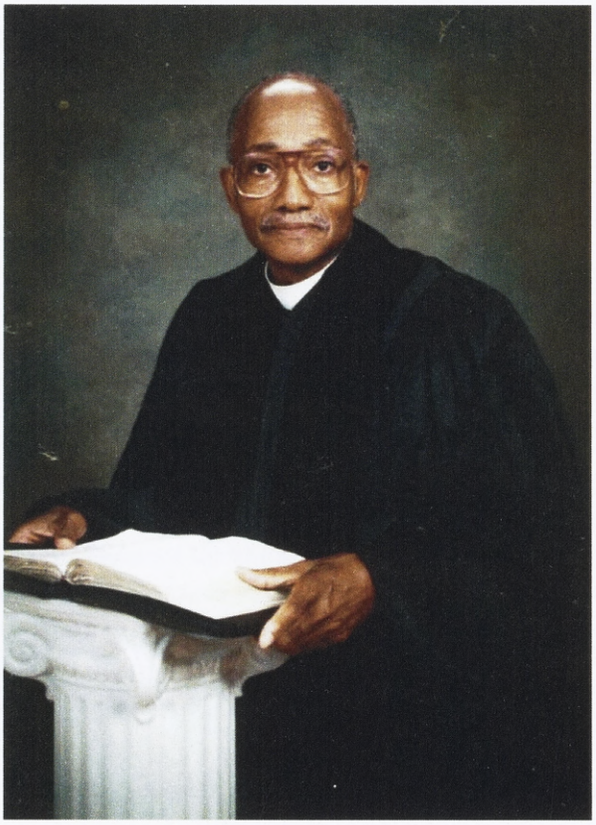
Honoring the Life of
Pastor H.L. McLeod
Matthew 7:7

Sunrise

August 4, 1932

Sunset

January 22, 2014



Service Held At 11:00 a.m.
Saturday February 1, 2014
Glad Tidings Church of God in Christ
27689 Tyrrell Avenue
Hayward, California
Host Pastor: Bishop Jerry W. Macklin
Officiating: Superintendent Robert Smith
Eulogist: Administrative Assistant Gerald E. Harris

A Man with a Vision, A Life Well Lived.

Pastor H.L. McLeod, Sr. was born to the proud parents of Hollie and Lela McLeod on August 4, 1932 in McGee, Mississippi. He was the third child born out of four. He lived on a 300 acre farm land. He owned goats, cows, bulls, pigs, and chickens. He was able to put the bacon on his family's table.

Pastor H.L. McLeod, Sr. was a miracle baby born premature. He was chosen by God to do a great work before he was fully aware of it. He accepted God into his life, and was accepted into the Methodist Church because of his understanding of God's word. As he grew in the Lord, his desire to learn more about God continually increased. On January 28, 1955 the Lord saved him and baptized him with the gift of the Holy Ghost while attending Germany Chapel Church of God in Christ, at the age of twenty two.

Pastor H.L. McLeod, Sr. was a wise and intelligent child. He always sought the knowledge of adults and was involved in making family decisions. Far ahead of his peer group, he was at the top of his class in reading and writing.

Pastor H.L. McLeod, Sr. enjoyed outdoor activities such as swimming, running, horseback riding, fishing, and hunting. In September of 1952 he moved to Los Angeles, California, and realized he wanted to migrate to Oakland, California. On July 25, 1959, he married the love of his life, Sarah Nell Butler in Reno, Nevada. To this union, 6 children were born, three boys and three girls, Hollie, Murender, Curee, Camilla, Vendon, and Kennard. In 2009, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, they went back to Reno with their children, extended family and friends, and rekindled the fire by renewing their vows.

Pastor H.L. McLeod, Sr. worked on several Bay Area highways; he helped build the San Mateo and Bay Bridges. He was an experienced construction worker and helped build the General Motor Building in Fremont, California. He was also an Electrician and a Plumber. Later in his career he received a job working for the East Bay Regional Park District. He was a Park Specialist, specializing in gardening and landscaping. He was a man who was gifted in horticulture. He worked there until he retired in 1996.

Pastor H.L. McLeod, Sr. loved the Lord to the fullest and performed various duties in the church. At Ebenezer Church of God in Christ under the pastorage of the late Superintendent LeLand Germany, he was an Assistant Sunday School Teacher, Assistant Sunday School Superintendent, Sunday School Superintendent, Junior Deacon, Deacon Board member, Board of Directors member, and Evangelist. This prepared him for God's plan and the vision given to him.

Pastor H.L. McLeod, Sr., the Founder and Pastor of Family Church of God in Christ, in 1984, Richmond, California. (Thirty years of dedicated service). If you were to ask his family to characterize this man of God, his wife would tell you that he is loving, caring, sharing, long-suffering, a great provider, father, wonderful husband, and praying man. His children would attest to this and add that he is a father of true guidance, firm, and always concerned about the welfare of his children. Any church member under the leadership of Pastor H.L. McLeod will tell you that he is a firm, stern, pillar in the Church of God in Christ.

Pastor H.L. McLeod, Sr. loved the Lord and his family. The Lord called him home on Wednesday, January 22, 2014. His final days were spent surrounded by his loving family.

He was preceded in death by his parents Hollie and Lela McLeod, two sisters: Alice and Hollie Maye, Daughter: (The Blessed One) Camilla McLeod-Cheney and Son-In-Law: Elder Nathaniel Jackson.

He will be greatly missed by the love of his life for Fifty Four years, Missionary Mother Sarah Nell McLeod, his sons and daughters Hollie C. McLeod, Jr. and wife Lydia, Vendon McLeod and wife Paulette, Kennard McLeod and wife Ayana, Murender McLeod-Carter and husband Karl, Curee Jackson and husband Earl, Patricia Berstine, daughter-in-law, Anthony Chaney, Son in Law, and one sister, Lula Jane Womack.

Affectionately, "Papa" will be missed by his Twenty-One Grandchildren: Hollie McLeod, Camisha Carroll, Lathaniel Carroll, Marie McLeod, Austin Jackson, Nathaniel Jackson, Avalik Martin, Patrice Jackson, Sarina Jackson, Samuel Jackson, Jr. LaNell Cheney, LaSarah Cheney, Marcus Cheney, Mikaella McLeod, Vendon McLeod, Jr. Vance McLeod, Morgan McLeod, Mackenzie McLeod, Kennard McLeod, Jr. Gereme Barrett, and Crystalyn Barrett, Seven Great Grandchildren: Dezmen Roland, Taylor McLeod, Naomi McLeod, Laneya Carroll, Lathaniel Carroll, Genesis Barrett, Zoie Burgess, Family Church God In Christ members, and a host of relatives and friends.

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Administrative Assistant, Gerald E. Harris, Eulogist
California Northwest Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

Superintendant Robert Smith - Officiating

February 1, 2014

Musical Prelude.....*Organist*

Processional.....*Clergy & Family*

Master of Ceremony.....*Superintendant Robert Smith*

Invocation.....*Administrative Assistant, Samuel Bobo*

Reading of the Holy Word
Old Testament.....*Administrative Assistant, Dr. Darnell Thomas*
New Testament.....*Pastor Samuel Butler*

Violin Selection.....*Austin Jackson, Grandson*

Special Remarks.....*Local*.....*Elder Hollie McLeod, Jr.*
District.....*District Missionary Bonita Hodges*
Jurisdiction.....*Supervisor of Women, Dr. Mary M. Welch*

Acknowledgments/Condolences.....*Deborah Figgs*

Special Tribute.....*Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren*
Written by Patrice Jackson
Obituary.....*Missionary Andrea Murphy*

Resolution.....*Local*.....*Sister Kimberly Dotson*
District.....*Sister Jackie Byrd, Secretary*
Jurisdiction.....*CNW Executive Sec., Supt. John Jackson*

Expressions.....*Limit 2 minutes each please*.....*Family and Friends*

Introduction of Speaker.....*Auxiliary Bishop, 1st Administrative Assistant, Nathaniel Bullock*

Sermonic Solo.....*Bishop Vincent Manyweather*

Eulogy.....*Administrative Assistant, Gerald E. Harris*

Parting View.....*Hull's Walnut Creek Chapel*

Processional.....*Clergy & Family*

I Will See My Dad Again
I know this man who is dear to my heart
Suddenly One day it was torn all apart
This man taught me everything I needed to know
He gave love and touches my life
He gave me direction
When I needed to do right
He is gone now, it's hard to believe
I will see him again, this I know
The day will come when it's time for me to go
So, I'll hold him dear and close to my heart
This man is my Dad, who will always be in my thoughts

Active Pallbearers

Hollie McLeod, Jr. Marcus Cheney, Kennard McLeod, Jr.
Austin Jackson, Vendon McLeod, Nathaniel Jackson
Lathaniel Carroll, Avalik Martin, Vance McLeod

Honorary Pallbearers

Elder Hollie McLeod, Mr. Vendon McLeod, Minister Kennard McLeod
Mr. Karl Carter, Minister Samuel E. Jackson, Mr. Samuel Jackson, Jr. Mr. Levi Butler,
Mr. David Butler, Mr. Jessie Butler, Superintendent, Marcus Butler

Acknowledgement

The Family of Pastor H.L. McLeod, Sr. deeply appreciates your encouraging words of sympathy, taking time to visit with us, cards, flowers and donations in our time of great sorrow. We know our pain will decrease and what will remain will always be. Love all who you hold dear. For tomorrow may not be. Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers.

Interment

Rolling Hills Angel Falls February 3, 2014 at 11:00am

Services Entrusted to
Hull's Walnut Creek Chapel
1139 Saranac Avenue
Walnut Creek, California 94595